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*Supply of Government reports to the Consul of the United States of America at Madras.*

* 1324 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government reports are sent by the Government to the Consul of the United States of America at Madras?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" A list* is placed on the table of House."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Will the Government take steps to see to it that the reports which are to be placed on the table of this House are sent to the Consul of the United States of America only after those reports are placed on the table of the House, inasmuch as sending those reports before our seeing them affects the prestige of Members of this House? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Only in cases where the reports are published and made available to the public, they are sent to the Consul of the United States of America."

*Palar Scheme for the supply of water to Kancheepuram.*

* 1325 *Q.*—SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Palar Scheme for augmenting the water-supply to the Kancheepuram Municipal area has been completed?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" No, Sir, the first stage of the scheme has been just sanctioned for execution and the Sanitary Engineer has taken steps to push through the work."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" In view of acute shortage of water and in view of the urgency of the matter, will the Government be pleased to place the entire amount sanctioned for the scheme at the disposal of the Conjeeveram Municipality? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Sanitary Engineer has taken up the work. It will cost about Rs. 1,00,000 at the first stage."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that water is sold in Conjeeveram by the pots, one pot costing four annas? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" That is why Government have sanctioned the investigation of the scheme and have sanctioned the execution of the first stage."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" May I know what works are proposed to be covered by the first stage? "

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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—"Infiltration of wells, sinking of bore-holes and other unforeseen works and contingencies."

SRI K. PARTHASARATHY :—"Since the source of supply is said to be the Palar, will the completion of this work be expected to increase the supply of milk also?" (Laughter.)

*Additional schemes under Highways under the Five-Year Plan.*

* 1326 *Q.*—SRI K. VENKATRAMANA GOWDA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Planning Commission, Government of India, have called for additional schemes under the Highways to be carried out under the Five-Year Plan ;

(*b*) the sum allocated to the Madras State under this Scheme ; and

(*c*) the works proposed under the scheme and their respective estimated cost?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—"(*a*) Answer is in the negative.

"(*b*) & (*c*) Does not arise."

MR. SPEAKER :—"Questions over."

**[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]**

III.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *re* :

ARREST OF CERTAIN UNEMPLOYED BEEDI WORKERS PERFORMING SATYAGRAHA BEFORE THE BEEDI FACTORY AT ERINJOLI, NORTH MALABAR.

MR. SPEAKER :—"The hon. Member Sri C. H. Kanaran has given notice of an adjournment motion to discuss a matter of urgent public importance. It reads as follows :—

**'I hereby give notice of an adjournment motion to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, viz., the action of the Police in arresting members of the Beedi Workers' Union offering satyagraha before the beedi factory at Erinjoli, North Malabar, which had thrown out of employment a large number of workers.'**

"This comes under day-to-day administration. I cannot understand how this could be admitted as an adjournment motion. Anyhow I will give one or two minutes for the hon. Member to explain. Then I will give my ruling."

* **SRI C. H. KANARAN** —"മിസ്റ്റർ സ്പീക്കർ, സാർ, ഗണേശ് ബീഡി ഫാക്ടറി 10-05
തെക്കെ ഇന്ത്യയിലെ ഏററവും പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ട ബീഡി ഫാക്ടറികളിലൊന്നാണ്. A.M.
കോട്ടയം താലൂക്കിൽ അതിന്നു നാല്പതിലധികം ബ്രാഞ്ചുകളുണ്ട്. ഇപ്പോൾ തൊഴിലാളികളെയെല്ലാം ബ്രാഞ്ചുകളിൽനിന്നു പിരിച്ചയച്ച് വീട്ടിലിരുത്തി ജോലി ചെയ്യിച്ച് തൊഴിലാളികളുടെ കൂലി കുറയ്ക്കാൻ മാനേജ്മെൻറ് ശ്രമിച്ചുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുകയാണ്. അതിൻെറ ആരംഭമാണ് എരഞ്ഞോളി ബ്രാഞ്ച് പൂട്ടിയതു്. തൊഴിൽ നിയമങ്ങളെ തോല്പിക്കാൻ വേണ്ടിയുള്ള മാനേജ്മെൻറിൻെറ ഈ കൃത്രിമസമ്പ്രദായത്തെപററി ഗവമ്മെൻറിനേയും ലേബർ ആഫീസർമാരേയും അറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെങ്കിലും യാതൊരു പ്രയോജനവുമുണ്ടായിട്ടില്ല.